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**John D. Schwartz**  
Bankruptcy Judge (recalled)

Education: Chicago 1950 JD  
Began Service: November 2, 1984

**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice (1952-1954); Master-In-Chancery, Circuit Court, County of Cook, Illinois (1963)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice

**Current Memberships:** American Bankruptcy Institute; American Bar Association; American College of Bankruptcy, Fellow; Chicago Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Lawyer's Club of Chicago; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges

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**William V. Altenberger**  
Bankruptcy Judge (visiting)

Date of Birth: 1935  
Education: Illinois 1957 BS, 1963 LLB



**Affiliation:** Bankruptcy Judge (recalled), United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois; Bankruptcy Judge (visiting), United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois

**Judicial:** Bankruptcy Judge (visiting), United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Indiana; Bankruptcy Judge (recall), United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (2000-2003)

**Legal Practice:** Kavanagh, Scully, Sudow, White & Frederick (1964-1985)

**Military Service:** United States Air Force (1957-1960)

**United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois**

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**Number of Judgeships: 4**

**Areas Covered:** Counties of Alexander, Bond, Calhoun, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Crawford, Cumberland, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jersey, Johnson, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Massac, Monroe, Perry, Pope, Pulaski, Randolph, Richland, Saline, Saint Clair, Union, Wabash, Washington, Wayne, White and Williamson

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**G. Patrick Murphy**  
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1948  
Education: Southern Illinois 1975 BS, 1977 JD  
Began Service: May 5, 1998  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton



**Legal Practice:** Associate, James W. Sanders & Associates (1978-1982); Associate, Garrison & Garrison (1982-1983); Partner, Winters, Brewster, Murphy, Crosby & Patchett (1983-1993); G. Patrick Murphy, Attorney at Law (1994-1998)

**Military Service:** United States Marine Corps (1966-1969)

**Current Memberships:** American College of Trial Lawyers; Marine Corp League; Veterans of Foreign Wars

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**J. Phil Gilbert**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1949  
Education: Illinois 1971 BS; Loyola (Chicago) 1974 JD  
Began Service: October 1, 1992  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Government:** Special Assistant Attorney General, Public Aid Enforcement Division (1974-1975); Assistant City Attorney, City of Carbondale, Illinois (1975-1978); Member, Illinois State Board of Elections (1978-1987)

**Judicial:** Judge, Illinois Circuit Court, First Judicial Circuit (1988-1992)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Gilbert & Gilbert (1974-1983); Partner, Gilbert, Kimmel, Huffman & Prosser (1983-1988)

**Current Memberships:** Illinois State Bar; Jackson County Bar Association

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**David R. Herndon**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1953  
Education: Southern IL Edwardsville 1974 BA; Southern Illinois 1977 JD  
Began Service: November 16, 1998  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Judicial:** Judge, Illinois Circuit Court, Third Judicial Circuit, Madison County (1991-1998)

**Legal Practice:** Law Clerk then Trial Attorney, L. Thomas Lakin, Attorney at Law (1976-1978); Trial Attorney, Haley, Frederickson, Walsh and Herndon, P.C. (1978-1980); Shareholder/Principal and Trial Attorney, Lakin and Herndon, P.C. (and predecessor firms) (1980-1991)

**Current Memberships:** Alton-Wood River-Jerseyville Bar Association; American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Federal Judges Association; Illinois State Bar Association; Madison County Bar Association; Missouri State Bar Association

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**Michael J. Reagan**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1954  
Education: Bradley 1976 BS; St Louis U 1980 JD  
Began Service: October 23, 2000  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Academic:** Adjunct Assistant Professor of Law, St. Louis University (1982-1988)

**Government:** Assistant Public Defender, County of St. Clair, Illinois (1996-2000)

**Legal Practice:** Attorney, Kassly, Bone, Becker, Dix, Reagan & Young (1980-1995); The Law Office of Michael J. Reagan (1995-2000)

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**James L. Foreman**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1927  
Education: Illinois 1950 BS, 1952 JD  
Began Service: March 7, 1972  
Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Government:** Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, United States Department of Justice (1953-1960); State's Attorney, Massac County, State of Illinois (1960-1964)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Chase & Foreman (1952-1972)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1945-1946)

**Current Memberships:** Illinois State Bar Association

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